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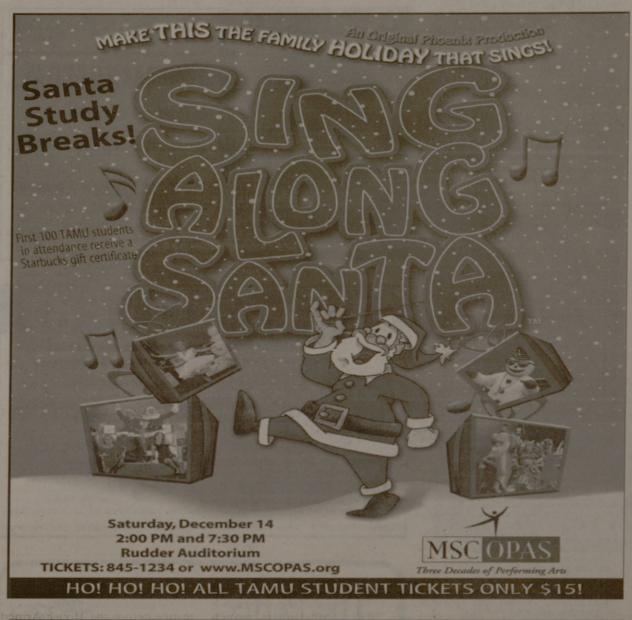
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Tuesday, December 10, 2002

# NAFTA's results do no match expectations

after United States, Canadian and Mexican leaders signed the North American Free Trade Agreement, predictions that the deal would lift Mexico into the so-called First World, or that it would vaporize jobs in the United States and keep wages low in Mexico have yet to become reality.

Much of Mexico remains trapped in poverty, but trade has ballooned, raising incomes and sheltering Mexico from economic woes throughout Latin America.

NAFTA's significance goes beyond economics. The agreement launched an era of economic, political and social intimacy between the United States and Mexico, two countries whose long, uneasy coexistence once won them the sobriquet of "distant neighbors.

The leaders who forged the President agreement George Bush, Canadian Prime Minister Brian Mulroney and Mexican President Carlos Salinas de Gortari — will mark the 10th anniversary of NAFTA's signing at a conference Monday and Tuesday at Wilson Woodrow International Center for Scholars in Washington, D.C.

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NAFTA has created a new dynamic between the United States and Mexico

- Grant Aldonas Undersecretary for trade

States and Mexico," said Grant Aldonas, the undersecretary for international trade at the U.S. Commerce Department, who encountered a more prickly relationship as a junior diplomat in Mexico City 20 years ago.

"The level of interaction between U.S. and Mexican officials on a range of issues that have to be discussed by neighbors has risen dramatically," he said recently.

Analysts are still debating the agreement's effects. NAFTA has helped generate unprecedented opportunities. But it also has visited economic dislocation on thousands.

Integration between the United States and Mexico has led to job losses for automobile workers in the Midwest to textile workers in El Paso.

Meanwhile, scores Mexican companies survived behind close went out of business in the of U.S. competition, 2 also fueled by a severe

NAFTA took effect. Mexico still has m people whose poor the border argue that the

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#### **NEWS IN BRIEF**

#### Disney to put off further plans for amusement parks in China

HONG KONG (AP) - The Walt Disney Co. won't build a park in mainland China until at least 2010 and will focus instead on its Hong Kong park, the company said Monday.

Disney's statement following a weekend announcement that Shanghai signed a deal to open a Universal Studios theme park in 2006.

Disney had been in talks with Shanghai, the mainland's wealthiest city, but said it will now keep its sights set on the Hong Kong park, which is due to break ground Jan. 12 and is scheduled

to open in 2005-2006. We have been in discussions about the potential of a park in Shanghai or another market in China for quite some time, but in all likelihood a second theme park in China would not open

before 2010," said Irene Chan, an Asia spokeswoman for Disney.

Chan declined comment on Universal's which were outlined in a preliminary agre signed Saturday. But she indicated that was still looking for potential mainland loo Man trapped in freezing car

survives by burning paper CHARLESTON, W.Va. (AP) - A man trapp nearly a week in his car after it plunged in ravine survived in the freezing cold by but paper, melting snow for water and eating pa

of fast-food sauce, rescuers say. Robert Ward, 32, suffered a broken hip in the and could not get out of the car. He was to Sunday by his friend Terry Likens, captain of tel department where Ward is a volunteer emer medical technician.





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